Meeting called to Order by Jacqueline Abikoff, Chairman at 9:05 a.m.

Present: Jacqueline Abikoff, Nicholas Pfeifer, Kathleen Russo, Annette Escalante, Serene Eastman, Tim Turmelle.

Motion to approve the December 11, 2017, Public Minutes by Kathleen Russo, 2nd by Annette Escalante: *Motion Approved*

Motion to approve the December 21, 2017, Emergency Public Minutes by Serene Eastman, 2nd by Annette Escalante: *Motion Approved*

Old Business:

Approval of Rules Alc 400, 500 – Robert Lamberti, Jr.
 The Board and Robert Lamberti, Jr. reviewed Rules Alc. 400-500 for content and format changes to go before JLCAR for final approval.
 Motioned by Annette Escalante, Seconded by Serene Eastman to approve the new Alc. 400-500, as edited, to go before JLCAR for final approval – *Motion Approved*

New Business:

- Board Signatures for Certificates Completed by Board.
- SB 325 Motioned by Kathleen Russo, Seconded by Serene Eastman to add to the January 11, Public Agenda a discussion on SB 325 *Motion Approved*The Board had an open discussion on SB 325:

AN ACT establishing a committee to study the consolidation of the board of mental health practice and the board of licensing for alcohol and other drug use professionals.

The Board is not supportive of merging or consolidating the Board of Mental Health Practice and the Board of Licensing for Alcohol and Other drug Use Professionals. Board members expressed their concerns as to why the two Boards should remain separate entities because of Rules, Statutes and Application requirements that are not compatible. Jacqui Abikoff was planning on attending a public hearing on SB 325, scheduled for January 11, 2018, in the pm to listen to the committee's intent of this bill. Motioned by Serene Eastman, Seconded by Annette Escalante, that Jacqui Abikoff on behalf of the Board express their concerns to the study committee on this matter. – *Motion Approved*

Board Actions:

- **✓** Robert Kelley
- ✓ **Motion to Dismiss** (12-06-17) Motioned by Serene Eastman, Seconded by Kathleen Russo, to deny the Motion to Dismiss *Motion Approved* (Annette Escalante, recused herself)
- ✓ **Motion to Dismiss** (12-20-17) Motioned by Kathleen Russo, Seconded by Serene Eastman to deny the Motion to Dismiss *Motion Approved* (Annette Escalante, recused herself)
- ✓ **Second Motion to Recuse Board Chair Abikoff (12-06-17)** Motioned by Serene Eastman, Seconded by Kathleen Russo, to deny the recusal of Jacqui Abikoff *Motion Approved* (Annette Escalante, recused herself)

New Applicants recommended by Peer Review

MLADC:

- Stacie Lucuis
- Tara Davis-Thompson
- Victoria E. Lee
- Regina Burtt
- Susan Bailey

Motion to approve New MLADC's by Annette Escalante 2nd by Kathleen Russo

Motion Approved

LADC:

- Emily Edgerly
- Jennifer Paradis

Motion to approve New LADC's by Serene Eastman 2nd by Kathleen Russo *Motion Approved*

CRSW:

- Johnny Wade
- Michael J. Brown
- Jacky Lehoullier
- John Ashley
- Richard Salvati

Motion to approve New CRSW's by Nick Pfeifer 2nd by Serene Eastman *Motion Approved*

Clinical Supervision Request

• Eileen M. Fiori, LICSW, LADC

Motion to approve Clinical Supervision by Serene Eastman 2nd by Nick Pfeifer,
Opposed by Kathleen Russo *Motion approved*

Motion to go into Non-Public 11:39 am:

On motion of <u>Serene Eastman</u>, seconded by <u>Annette Escalante</u>, the Board voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business and noting that such a non-public sessions authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (a), RSA 91-A:3, II (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, RSA 330-C:28, RSA 330-C:29, Lodge v. Knowlton,, I 19 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

Roll Call:

Nicholas Pfeifer- Yes Jacqueline Abikoff- Yes Annette Escalante – Yes Kathleen Russo – Yes Serene Eastman – Yes Tim Turmelle – Yes

Adjournment from Non Public 12:30 pm.

Roll Call:

Jacqueline Abikoff – Yes Annette Escalante - Yes Nicholas Pfeifer - Yes Kathleen Russo - Yes Serene Eastman – Yes Tim Turmelle - Yes

Motion to Seal the Minutes by Tim Turmelle 2nd Nick Pfeifer

Roll Call:

Jacqueline Abikoff – Yes Annette Escalante - Yes Nicholas Pfeifer Yes

Kathleen Russo Yes Serene Eastman – Yes Tim Turmelle - Yes

Motion approved

Motion to Adjourn by Kathleen Russo 2nd by Nick Pfeifer *Motion approved*Meeting Adjourned 12:31 p.m.